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REPORT TITLE: NHS England Update
DECISIONS TO BE MADE:
 The Joint Commissioning Committee is asked to:

- Note the points below
- Identify representatives for working groups in relation to Market Hill 8-8 practice and lessons learnt exercise

Continue to improve the quality of services	x	Improve patient experience	x
Reduced unwarranted variations in services	x	Reduce the inequalities gap in North Lincolnshire	
Deliver the best outcomes for every patient	x	Statutory/Regulatory	

Executive Summary (Question, Options, Recommendations):
 This report is to update the committee on outstanding matters pertaining to primary medical care within North Lincolnshire.

Equality Impact	N	
Sustainability	N	
Risk	N	
Legal	N	
Finance	Y/N	

Patient, Public, Clinical and Stakeholder Engagement to date									
	N/A	Y	N	DATE		N/A	Y	N	DATE
Patient:					Clinical:				
Public:					Other:				



North Lincolnshire update

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1. West Town Surgery Temporary Closed List report

The temporary closed list application for West Town Surgery was circulated as a virtual report in April 2016 due to the timescales involved. A copy of the report is appended to this update.

Action for the Joint Committee:

The Committee is asked to note the report.

2. Market Hill Procurement update and contract award/long term options

Following the immediate termination of the Market Hill 8-8 GP contract at the Ironstone Centre on 12 January 2016, NHS England appointed an interim provider, Core Care Links Ltd to provide services to the registered list whilst a procurement was undertaken to appoint a provider for an eleven month period until 31 March 2017.

A procurement has now taken place where four bids were submitted. Following the evaluation process, Core Care Links Ltd have been awarded the contract for the eleven month period, commencing 1 May 2016.

NHS England, together with the CCG need to identify and establish a working group to review the long term options for the practice. The CCG have been asked to identify representatives for this group; a response by 20 May 2016 is required as the procurement process needs to commence in July 2016.

Action for the Joint Committee:

The Joint Committee are asked to note the points above regarding the procurement process and award of the contract and the identification of representatives for the working group.

3. Lessons learnt exercise regarding serious primary care quality issues

The CCG, together with NHS England are now in a position to undertake a “**lessons learnt**” exercise in respect of the early identification of primary care issues, which could subsequently be identified by the Care Quality Commission.

Recommendation and action for the Joint Committee:

NHS England to identify the individuals required to undertake this exercise and the CCG are asked to confirm which representatives need to be included from the CCG.

A response is required by 20 May 2016 to Helen Phillips, Assistant Primary Care Contracts Manager at NHS England.

4. APMS/PMS Uplift 2016-17

Introduction

Each year the Doctors and Dentists Review Body (DDRB) advises Government on rates of pay for Doctors and Dentists.

2016/2017 DDRB Recommendation

The DDRB recommended an uplift of 1% for GMS practices

To deliver an equitable and consistent approach to uplifting PMS and APMS contracts commissioners (NHS England teams or CCGs under delegation agreement) the same increase will apply. It is important to note that the APMS uplift will only apply to practices where an uplift is stipulated in their contractual agreements.

In summary, GP practices will receive increases in core funding as set out in table 1.

	GMS	PMS	APMS
	£/weighted patient	£/weighted patient	£/weighted patient
MPIG reinvestment	A [£0.50]	-	-
Seniority reinvestment	B [£0.30]	c [£0.30]	-
Elements of the deal	C [£2.07]	c [£2.07]	c [£2.07]
ES reinvestment	D [£0.73]	d [£0.73]	d [£0.73]
Inflation uplift	E [£0.85]	e [£0.85]	e [£0.85]
Total uplift	A+B+C+D+E [£4.45]	b+c+d+e [£3.95]	c+d+e [£3.65]

Recommendation

The Committee is asked to note the uplift to APMS/PMS contracts in accordance with the recommendations of the DDRB.



Report for list closure request from West Town Surgery, Barton area

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Introduction

West Town Surgery has applied to close their list for a period of twelve months. The practice is located at the following address:-

West Town Surgery, 80 High Street, Barton upon Humber, DN185PU.

The practice is made up of the following GPs and Health Care Professionals:-

Health Care Professional	Total Number employed	WTE
GPs	2 (retirement pending)	1
Practice Based Pharmacists	0	
Advanced Care Practitioners	0	
Physicians Associates	0	
Practice Nurses	1	0.8
Health Care Assistants	1	0.5

The table below confirms the list size over the past 12 months:-

31.12.14	31.03.15	31.03.15	30.09.15	31.12.15	Total movement from 31.12.14 to 31.12.15	% increase
2891	2914	2946	2997	3031	140	4.84%

Regulations

The GMS regulations schedule 6, part 2 and PMS regulations schedule 5, part 2 allow for a contractor to apply to NHS England to close their list.

Practice application

The practice application has included the following information:-

- The practice would like to close the register due to an upcoming partnership change due to take effect on the 31st March 2016. The practice will become a single handed run practice but with potential salaried/locum GP's to help cover the sessions.

- The practice has had a recent influx of patients registering in the last year which has added to the already stretch work load pressures of the clinicians and administration staff.
- The practices premises currently need an update and re-decoration. The premises also have spare rooms which need building work undertaken to turn them into consultation rooms.
- It is felt that a short-term closure of the list was more applicable rather than a reduction in the practice area and Dr Khan, who will be the remaining partner, would like to maintain the good and reliable relationship that she feels the practice has with current patients, the public and the community.
- A closure of the practice list is a more feasible option than maintaining a progressively growing list.
- The practice intends to do an appointment audit to ensure that they are providing enough sessions per week to meet the patients' needs. As a practice they will also ensure that the current sessions provided by Dr. Muralee (retiring GP Partner) will be covered upon his retirement by a regular locum GP, with a view of becoming a salaried GP.
- The practice will look at the administration team with a view of increasing employment of hours to ensure that the demands of the patients are met efficiently and in a timely manner.
- Dr.Khan is currently in the process of buying the practice premises. Potentially the practice will look at modernizing and updating the premises.

The practice feels that if this application is supported it would enable them practice to adjust and assess the demands during the change from a partnership to a single handed practice. If they continue to register patients and increase the list size, they feel that this would potentially affect patient safety within the practice.

Consultation with neighbouring practices, LMC and CCG

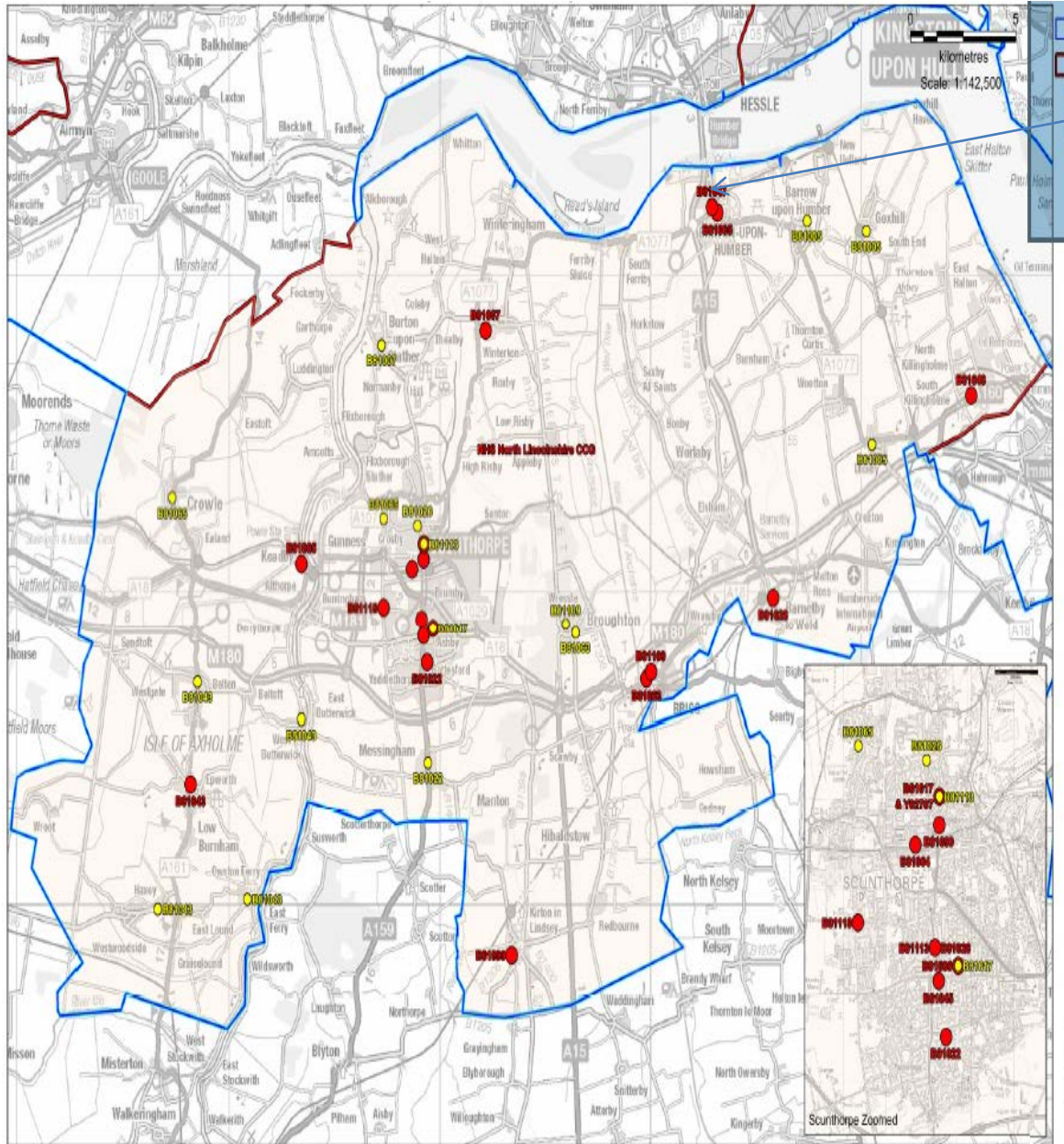
In line with NHS England's Policy Book for Primary Medical Services, neighbouring practices, the CCG and the LMC Group Humberside have been consulted.

The two following tables demonstrate the changes in list sizes over the past year for all practices with all currently operating an open patient list.

Practice	Practice Code	Percentage increase / - decrease	Open/Closed List
Central Surgery Barton	B81005	-0.31%	Open
Dr Webster And Partners	B81007	0.20%	Open
Cambridge Avenue Medical Centre	B81022	-1.54%	Open

Ancora Medical Practice	B81026	2.43%	Open
South Axholme Practice	B81043	0.18%	Open
Ashby Turn Primary Care Partners	B81045	-0.38%	Open
Bridge Street Surgery	B81063	1.71%	Open
Church Lane Medical Centre	B81064	0.37%	Open
Trent View Medical Practice	B81065	-0.95%	Open
Oswald Road Medical Centre	B81090	-0.22%	Open
Kirton Lindsey Surgery	B81099	1.11%	Open
Dr Rai And Partners	B81109	0.35%	Open
Cedar Medical Practice	B81113	2.63%	Open
West Common Lane Teaching Practice(practice merger)	B81118	49.33%	Open
The Birches Medical Practice	B81617	5.49%	Open
Barnetby Medical Centre	B81628	-0.17%	Open
West Town Surgery	B81647	4.84%	Application Pending
The Killingholme Surgery	B81648	1.39%	Open
Market Hill 8 To 8 Centre	Y02787	6.88%	Open

Please see attached North Lincolnshire Map which identifies the practices within North Lincolnshire located by their practice code, establishing proximity of neighbouring practices



Comments received following the consultation:-

The responses from other practices are detailed below. Comments from the LMC are also noted below.

Practice	Comments received
Killingholme Surgery	No issues with this request
Barton Central Surgery	The partners of Central Surgery have no objection to West Town Surgery closing their patient list.
LMC Group Humberside	<p>The LMC would support this application in principle and for six months. There should be a threshold patient list number to be agreed between NHS England and the practice.</p> <p>The case they make is basically due to the retirement of Dr Muralee but they do seem to have arrangements in hand. They have not consulted the larger practice in Barton which they need to do. I would expect the larger Barton practice to make direct comments to NHS England.</p>

Additional factors to be considered by the Committee

The Committee will need to consider the impact this will have on the one neighbouring practice, Barton Central Surgery and whether it would be reasonable to agree to a twelve month closure for the practice with a review during this period to consider the impact the closure is having. There are only two other practices which cover the practices area which will be affected, namely Barton Central Surgery and Market Hill Practice (located in the Scunthorpe area). It should be noted that Barton Central Surgery have no objections to this request.

NHS England and the CCG recently met with Dr Khan, who explained further the points in the application and said that by working five sessions of consultation time she is able to keep an interest in other clinical work, such as minor surgery and Long Acting Reversible Contraception. On the basis of the points above, NHS England would recommend that this closure is supported and the impact on the neighbouring practice is assessed during the first six months.

Recommendation

The North Lincolnshire Co-Commissioning Committee is asked to:-

- Note the contents of this report
- Confirm if the practice application to close this list is supported.

Conclusion

This report was circulated by virtual means to members of the Committee due to the timescales as to when a decision was required, with a request to note the contents of the report and confirm that they supported the request to temporarily close the practice list. The responses to the request for virtual approval are detailed in the table below.

JCC member /Organisation	Supported/not supported
Ian Reekie (Chair) NLCCG	Supported
Dr A Lee (NLCCG)	Supported
Dr M Sanderson (interest declared) (NLCCG)	Not supported
Dr W Barker (NHSE)	Supported
LMC (non-voting member)	Supported

Following this circulation, the members decided to grant approval of the request but for a six month period rather than twelve months, as this was felt to be too long.

The practice were duly informed of this decision by NHS England and notified of their right of appeal.